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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated August 7, 2002, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-17 and 20-27, drawn to a stable gene formulation which comprises a gene or a vector comprising the gene, at least one saccharide and/or at least one nonhydrophobic amino acid and/or at least one organic acid having two or more carboxyl groups except amino acids;